

REMARKS

Response to Restriction Requirement

In the Election of Species Requirement, the Examiner required that the Applicant elect between the following distinct species of the claimed invention:

Species I, first embodiment according to **FIG. 1**;

Species II, second embodiment according to **FIG. 2**;

Species III, third embodiment, according to **FIG. 3**; and

Species IV, fourth embodiment, according to **FIG. 4**.

The Applicants elect, without traverse, Species I, which corresponds with Figure 1, for prosecution on the merits. The Applicants have cancelled original claims 1-14 and added new claims 15-37, which correspond to the elected species.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1283.

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